

# United States Youth Conservation Corps

## The Program

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a well-balanced work-learn-earn program that develops an understanding and appreciation in participating youth of the Nation's environment and heritage. It is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Forest Service, and by the U.S. Department of the Interior-Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service. YCC offers gainful summer employment to youth, for approximately eight weeks, in a healthful outdoor atmosphere.

Enrollees will be paid the minimum wage for a 40 hour work week. Most projects will enroll an equal number of males and females.

Projects include building trails, maintaining fences, cleaning up campgrounds, improving wildlife habitat and thinning timber stands. Participants will do hard physical work and may be exposed to insects, poison oak and ivy, adverse weather, and difficult working conditions.

## Eligibility Requirements

Young men and women, 15 through 18 years of age, who are permanent residents of the United States, its Territories, or possessions, are eligible for employment without regard to social, economic, racial, or ethnic backgrounds. Handicapped youth who can effectively participate in most YCC activities are eligible. Youth must have no history of serious criminal or other antisocial behavior that might endanger their safety or that of others; have or be able to obtain a work permit as required under the laws of their State; have a Social Security number or have made application for one; be willing and able to work hard and participate in most work projects. Employment is without regard to Civil Service or classification laws, rules, or regulations.

## How You Can Enroll

To apply, youth meeting these qualifications should complete this YCC application form and return it by **May 2, 2014** to:

**National Park Service  
Prince William Forest Park  
18100 Park Headquarters Road  
Triangle, VA 22172-1644  
ATTN: YCC Coordinator**

Applicants will be selected on a random basis and will be notified of selection.

Demographic information such as age, race, and family income is not used in the selection process.



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YCC complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S. Code 794). Under this Act and implementing Regulations, handicapped persons "who, with reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions" of the YCC are eligible (7 CFR Part 15b and 43 CFR Part 17)

**Print or Type all answers.** All questions and statements must be answered to enable Selection Office to determine applicant's eligibility and availability. *Incomplete applications may have to be rejected.* Authority is PL 93-408. During the term of employment, you must be at least 15 years of age and not have reached age 19.

Middle Initial)

Zip Code

Grade

In Case of Emergency \_\_\_\_\_ (Relationship)\_\_\_\_\_

**I am familiar with the YCC program and interested in working in the outdoors to develop and maintain the natural resources of the United States.** If selected, **I will obtain a work permit.** I have or am applying for a social security number. I am a permanent resident of the United States or its Territories or possessions. I do not have a history of serious criminal or other antisocial behavior that might jeopardize my safety or that of others. I certify that all information I have given above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Incorrect statements constitute grounds for immediate dismissal. You have my permission to give this application to any YCC official for whose camp I am selected.

(County)

(Date)